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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

In the Claims:

1 (Amended): A system for reminding a driver of the presence of at least one particular traffic sign, comprising:

an imaging unit [[(1)]] attached to the vehicle and directed towards the road [[(R)]] ahead of the vehicle;

a database [[(3)]] containing at least one pre-registered shape of traffic sign;

an automatic recognition unit [[(2)]] for detecting and identifying, in successive images, traffic signs by searching image areas having a shape contained in said database, a selection between two signs identified in a same picture being performed by comparing the variation of the rectangular coordinates of a reference point of the signs in two successive pictures for evaluating the distance between the vehicle and the signs; and

a sound [[(5)]] and/or visual [[(4)]] indicator of at least one identified traffic sign.

2 (Amended): The system of claim 1, in which said automatic recognition unit [[(2)]] also compares the colors of an identified shape with a set of stored color information.

3 (Amended): The system of claim 1, in which said automatic recognition unit [[(2)]] also compares the symbol included in an identified shape with a set of stored symbols.

4 (Original): The system of claim 1, in which said database contains, for each shape, various view angles.

5 (Original): The system of claim 1, in which the imaging unit is actuated at a frequency dependent upon the speed of the vehicle.

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